

**WELCOME
TO THE
LONE STAR
STATE!**

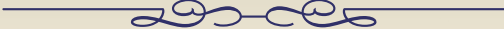
**YOU'VE GOT
30 DAYS TO**

**APPLY
TO BE
TEXAN**

**This little book
will show you how.**



Texas Department *of* Motor Vehicles
HELPING TEXANS GO. HELPING TEXAS GROW.



If you stand six-foot-five, ride a big white horse, and can wrestle a tornado to the ground, congratulations! — You've just been named a member in good standing of the hearty, resourceful, and friendly people the world refers to as Texans, and we're proud to have you among us.

However, should you fail to meet any of the above qualifications, be not concerned. Simply perform the simple tasks outlined on the following pages and, *yahoo* — you'll be a Registered Texan,[®] too! Because, contrary to what you may have heard, becoming a member of the greatest state in the Union is easy! So let's get started.



To be a Texan, you first need to have your vehicle inspected.



This is easy. Simply take your car, truck, motorcycle, or heavy-duty trailer to a certified Vehicle Inspection Station. (Many mechanic shops, full-service gas stations, and oil change locations offer state inspections. Your local telephone directory should direct you to one that's convenient.) When you go, make sure to take along proof of insurance. If your insurance policy was not issued in Texas, you may need to show proof that you carry the minimum amount of coverage.*

**Minimum coverage in Texas is \$30,000 bodily injury or death to one person in one accident, \$60,000 bodily injury or death to 2 or more persons in one accident; and \$25,000 injury or destruction to other property in one accident.*



*To be a Texan, you do not need to be able to stand
in the middle of one county and see over into the next.*

To be a Texan, you need a Texas Vehicle Registration sticker and Texas license plates.

This, too, is easy. After getting your vehicle inspection sticker, visit your friendly county tax assessor-collector (whose office is listed in your local directory). You will need to show proof that you own your vehicle, such as registration or title from your previous home state, as well as proof that you carry the minimum required amount of insurance coverage (see page 2).*

What's important to remember is that your vehicle registration fee (about \$60 a year, but varies by county**) helps to build and maintain our Texas highways, roads, and bridges. And approximately one-third of that is invested in programs in your own county.

** Once you've received your vehicle registration sticker, renewing it in subsequent years is easy because many counties allow online renewals at www.texas.gov.*

*** Newcomers also pay a title application fee, as well as sales tax-related fees required by the State Comptroller's Office. Sales tax fees on a vehicle could be \$90 or the difference between the previous state's sales tax and the Texas sales tax.*



To be a Texan, you do not need to own an oil well,
unless of course, you live in Midland, where it's mandatory.

To be a Texan, you need a Texas Driver License.



Lastly, you have 90 days from the time you move to our great state to visit your nearest Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) office and obtain a Texas Driver License. (For locations, visit www.txdps.state.tx.us.) Because you'll need to take along a few documents that prove who you are (sorry, that prized bowling trophy won't do), we urge you to visit the aforementioned Web site and click on *ID Requirements for Texas driver license/identification certificate*. And that's pretty much it: Vehicle registration sticker and inspection sticker, proof of insurance, Texas license plates, and Texas Driver License. — Now you're starting to look like a real Texan.*

** For information on voter registration and other services for new Texas residents, visit: www.texas.gov.*



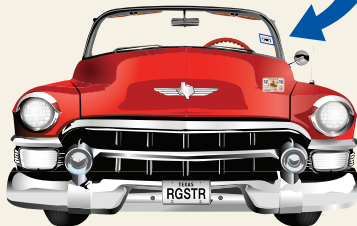
To be a Texan, you do not need to own a horse.
You do, however, need to practice safety at all times.

To be a Texan, Put Texas in your corner.®



One final thing: Texas law requires that you have your registration and inspection stickers and insurance within 30 days of moving to our state. Otherwise, you could be in for an unscheduled meeting with one of our fine law enforcement officials. Of course, we have all the confidence in the world you'll do what's right for Texas and your new fellow Texans. Because when you stick up for the Lone Star State, you're sticking up for all of us. And we'll be mighty proud to call you a fellow Registered Texan. Like to learn more? Just go to www.registeredtexan.com or call (512) 465-7611 or 1 (888) DMV-GOTX (368-4689).

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